

VISIT OF MRS. LAWTON, OF GEORGIA, TO ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. Lawton, of Savannah, Georgia, wife of an Assistant Adjutant General on Lee's staff, came within the Federal lines at Falmouth, a day or two since, under a flag of truce, requesting permission to visit her husband, who was wounded in the battle of Fredericksburg and taken prisoner, [and since died.]

Vice President Hamlin, and several members of Congress, being at Falmouth at the time. Gen. Sumner introduced them to Mrs. Lawton. Vice President Hamlin tendered her a berth on his own special transport.

On the route to Alexandria, Mrs. Lawton was the recipient of many kind attentions from Mr. Hamlin, several members of the Maine delegation in Congress, and other distinguished gentlemen, for which she expressed herself as deeply grateful. Her deportment was that of a highly cultivated and dignified lady, who keenly appreciated the horrors of the present war.

When the transport approached the Alexandria wharf Mrs. Lawton separated from the Vice President with the warmest expressions of thanks for his unexpected courtesy. Messrs. Cravens, and Shanks, of Indiana, escorted Mrs. Lawton into the city of Alexandria.—*Wash. Chron.*

[Mrs. Lawton was ignorant of the death of her husband until she arrived here. The intelligence nearly deprived her, for the time, of reasons. She is, however, now better, and under the kind care of friends, will we hope soon be restored to health. She is a guest of Mr. J. D. Corse.]

The Washington Chronicle says, that two men who acted as guides for Stuart in his late raid, were arrested near Burk's Station on Thursday evening. It was only a few weeks since that they were released from confinement in the Old Capitol prison. They will be again placed in their old quarters.

Our Nashville dispatches announce the death of Gen James E. Rains, in the battle of Murfreesboro'. Many persons will doubtless confound his name with that of the general of the same name from Missouri. The deceased was a native and citizen of Nashville, Tenn.—He had been for several years a prominent Whig politician, occupying at one time the position of chief editor of the daily Republican Banner, the organ of the party in the State.—Up to the commencement of hostilities, he was most active as a Union man.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says:—The President has himself, as is well known, properly characterized his proclamation of slave emancipation as useless. That it will do no good, he admits, but it is not so clear that it may not do much harm. The proclamation applies only to those portions of the Confederate States where the Federal government has no military power; Fairfax county including Alexandria, is an exception. The proclamation takes effect there, but to a merely nominal extent, as all the slaves have already been driven off, or brought into the contraband camp.

Dick Parker's Varieties, at Liberty Hall is a favorite resort for the lovers of songs and fun. Mr. Parker is a host within himself and never fails to delight with his witty sayings and comic doings. The company now performing, is a very excellent one, and all who attend may expect to spend an agreeable evening.

A staff officer in one of the brigades of Sherman's division of the army of the Southwest writes to the Newark, N. J., Journal, complaining of the conduct of the troops, which he represents as being characterized by every enormity calculated to embitter the inhabitants, to injure the Union cause, and to break up the army itself. He says:—The only sure remedy is for Gen. Sherman to shoot about a dozen of these infernal rascals in presence of his whole division, but whether he will resort to any such stringent measure remains to be seen. I have always blamed Union generals for guarding Rebel property, but I now see the necessity of it. Not so much to save the property, but our own safety demands it. Three weeks of such unbridled licenses would ruin our army."

MEETING.—A meeting of Union men of this place was held to-day, at Liberty Hall, which was addressed by Andrew Wylie, and Lewis McFadden, who favored the Emancipation proclamation of President Lincoln, and G. S. Minor, who favored compensated Emancipation. All the speakers are candidates for the U. S. House of Representatives!

Several new cases of small pox, in different quarters of the town, are reported. They are mostly among contraband negroes.

CAUCUS.—A caucus, composed of loyal residents of Alexandria, Fairfax, Culpeper, and other counties of Virginia, was held last night for the purpose of inaugurating measures to secure the continued service of Hon. Waitman T. Willey, in the United States Senate, after the 4th of March next. A convention will be held in Alexandria to-day in furtherance of the same object.—[*Wash. Chron.*]

MARRIED.

In Washington City, Jan. 1st. 1863, by the Rev. Father McGuire, Pastor of St. Aloysius Church, ANDREW J. FEELEMYER, of Baltimore County, to Miss MARTHA HARPER, of Alexandria, Va. [Baltimore papers please copy.]

DIED.

In this place, on the 29th of December, FRANCIS B. HEYMES, of consumption, son of the late John Heymes, aged 14 years and 3 days.

On Whitby Island, Washington Territory, the first of November last, CORA, the wife of Judge Edmund C. Fitzhugh, and daughter of Robert Bowie, esq., of "Cedar Hill," Prince George's county, Maryland.

FUNERAL NOTICE.—In consequence of the non-arrival of the remains of CHAS. W. NEALE, the funeral is postponed until to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon, at 7½ o'clock.

The members of the Sun and Hydraulion Fire Companies, are hereby notified to attend the meetings of these companies, to be held at Hydraulion Hall, on Monday the 5th of January, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. By order of the President. Jan 3—1t

The 89th annual meeting of the **Friendship Fire Company**, will be held (Monday) evening, Jan. 5th, at 7½ o'clock. Punctual attendance is earnestly requested. By order of the President: JOHN H. DEVAUGHAN, Rec. Sec. Jan 2—3t

TO THE VOTERS OF THE SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.—An election having been ordered to fill a vacancy in this District. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for your suffrages. I will take an early occasion, of which due notice will be given, to address the citizens of Alexandria. CHAS. H. UPTON.

Fall's Church, Fairfax Co., Jan. 1, 1863.—Jan 2—2w*

Experiments recently made in England prove that paper pasteboard better resists shot from cannon than hard teak wood.

The negroes in Philadelphia kept the first of January as a holiday, in consequence of the emancipation proclamation of President Lincoln. The barber-shops were all closed during the day, as were the restaurants in which the negroes held the controlling power.

Some more thieving of wood, plank, and fence boards, in different quarters of the town, was going on last night.

The Mount Vernon Ohio, Banner, under the head of "Blessed are the Peace Makers," appeals strongly for Peace.

AMUSEMENTS.—The attractions at Nixon's Circus are now very numerous, and the exhibitions are attended by large crowds. The two clowns are "of their kind" excellent, and the gymnastic and acrobatic feats are astonishing. The Equestrian performance is very fine, while the trained animals act their parts perfectly.

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